

## FIRESTONE PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS

The purpose of this hearing is to provide a public forum for all interested parties who may wish to comment on a request of a change in land use. Please sign the roster on the back table by the door if you wish to speak.

The procedure for each public hearing on the agenda will be:

- 1. Presentation by Town Staff
- 2. Presentation by the applicant
- 3. Comments from interested parties (3 minutes per person)
- 4. Response from the applicant
- 5. Discussion by Town Board/Commission
- 6. Action by Town Board/Commission

Since the hearings are recorded for public record, all testimony must be presented at the podium or wireless microphone after the speaker gives their full name and address and are sworn in. With the exception of the applicant and Town Staff, speakers will be limited to **three (3) minutes** for their presentations. This requirement is especially important when a large number of people wish to express their views. Courtesy requires that each person be allowed equal time and that no outburst, either in support of or in opposition of a stated position, interrupt or delay any presentation.

We suggest that a spokesperson be picked to present the views of a large group. That speaker can then ask all supporters of that position to stand in order to indicate the depth of their support to the Town Board/Commission. Also, please do not repeat points of support or argument unless you can bring new facts or views to our attention. This, along with the individual time limit, will allow the public hearing to proceed in an orderly and efficient manner.

Welcome, and thank you for your attendance and interest.

Mayor Town of Firestone